



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: 96-VN-1

For: Eric L. Smith et al.

For: "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ASSISTING NAVIGATION USING RENDERED TERRAIN IMAGERY"

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c))—SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

As a below named owner or official of Visual Navigation, Inc., a small business concern, I am empowered to act on behalf of Visual Navigation, Inc. I hereby declare that Visual Navigation, Inc. qualifies as a Small Business Concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(d) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office regarding the invention entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ASSISTING NAVIGATION USING RENDERED TERRAIN IMAGERY" accompanying this declaration.

I hereby further declare that the rights of inventor Eric L. Smith have been conveyed to and remain the property of small business concern Visual Navigation, Inc., and that all other rights belong to small entities as defined in 37 CFR 1.9. The Verified Statement (Declaration) of co-inventor Kurt Zimmerman claiming Small Entity Status accompanies this Verified Statement.

Visual Navigation, Inc. has not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
(37 CFR 1.9(F) & 1.27(B))--INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office regarding the invention entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ASSISTING NAVIGATION USING RENDERED TERRAIN IMAGERY" accompanying this declaration.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

No such person, concern, or organization.

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Kurt Zimmerman

Signature of Inventor

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## **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.


I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

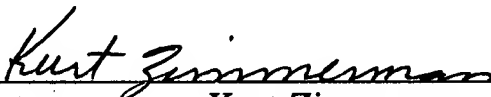
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I hereby appoint Renee' Michelle Larson, Reg. No. 36,193, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

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